

**INDIANA ARTS COMMISSION  
PROGRAM EVALUATION COMMITTEE**

September 13, 2011

IAC Office, 100 N. Senate Avenue, Room N505  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Trevor Yager, Chair

Minutes

Members present: Pam Hicks, Jeff Kirk, Trevor Yager

Members via teleconference: Gil Cárdenas, Jon Ford, Suzie Rentschler

Members absent: Linda Levell

IAC staff present: Michelle Anderson, April Blevins, Susan Britsch, Kristina Davis, Bobbie Garver, Dennis Hardin, Lewis Ricci

1. **Welcome and Introductions.** IAC Commissioner Trevor Yager opened the meeting at 2:35 p.m. and asked everyone to introduce themselves.

2. **Consent agenda.** Due to lack of quorum, no action was taken. Action items from this meeting will be deferred to the next meeting of the Program Evaluation Committee, scheduled at 5:00 p.m., September 15, 2011.

3. **Ratify CY 2012 – 2013 Technical Assistance Program (TAP) Applications.** IAC Community Development Manager Bobbie Garver presented a handout (attached) showing the scores from the grant panel review held on August 17, 2011. Regional Arts Partners were allowed to request \$6,000.00 each for the basic TAP grant, and an additional \$5,000.00 in competitive funding. Non-RAP organizations were allowed to apply as well. The committee reviewed the scores and came to a consensus of approval that will be voted upon at the next PEC meeting on September 15, 2011.

4. **Review of Regional Arts Partner (RAP) and Technical Assistance Program (TAP) Applications.** Mr. Yager explained that the Program Evaluation Committee is charged with reviewing and scoring applications to become an IAC Regional Arts Partner that have been submitted with IAC permission from Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana (Region 8), Community Foundation Alliance (Region 10) and Community Foundation of Randolph County (Region 5). However, lacking a quorum, no vote can be taken by the committee in this meeting. Mr. Yager proceeded with the review of the applications, each having a first and second reader reporting on the applications. Each Commissioner present entered an electronic score, and each Commissioner via teleconference gave their scores orally. Commissioner Cárdenas abstained from scoring. After each of the RAP applications was scored, the same process was followed for one application for a Technical Assistance Program grant.

Ms. Garver will compile the scores, and they will be ratified by committee vote at its meeting on September 15, 2011.

**5. Arts in Education Update.** IAC Community Development Manager Susan Britsch reported that the application period has opened for the Arts in Education program. The application deadline will be October 3<sup>rd</sup>, and the review panel will meet in November. Arts in Education grants are funded by the IAC Cultural Trust. Ms. Britsch also reported on the Poetry Out Loud program; she recently attended the national final competition in Washington, D. C. Zack Rooker from Warsaw was the winner of the Indiana competition. Ms. Britsch also reported that Karen Kovacik has been designated as Indiana's third Poet Laureate. One of her special commitments in her new post is to visit schools in Indiana that have not yet participated in Poetry Out Loud, and to encourage students to enter.

**6. Old Business.** There was no old business.

**7. New Business.** Mr. Yager reminded the committee that it has agreed to meet again at 5:00 p.m. on September 15, 2011, at a location to be determined. This brief meeting will serve to approve minutes and to ratify grant awards for the Technical Services Program and the Regional Arts Partner program.

**8. Adjourn.** Mr. Yager thanked everyone for their participation and closed the meeting at 3:40 p.m.